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Lt. Governor Peter Kinder names Wynona Corbin of Warrensburg as Senior Service Award Winner

Award recognizes volunteer work by Missouri Seniors

JEFFERSON CITY – Missouri Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today announced 35 winners of the Lieutenant Governor's Senior Service Award, including Wynona Corbin of Warrensburg.

Lt. Governor Kinder presented the awards today (May 8) at a luncheon for the winners and their guests outside his office in the Capitol. Corbin was nominated by the Foster Grandparent Program of Bi-County Service Inc. of Higginsville.

For the past 12 years, Corbin has volunteered an average of 125 hours per month at Crest Ridge Elementary School in Centerview, through its Foster Grandparent Program. She helps instruct kindergarten students.

In its nomination, the Foster Grandparent Program officials said Corbin is easy-going, hard working and kind. "She is one of the most giving ladies you would ever meet."

"Her teachers and school administrators always praise Wynona for her dedication to the children she serves," the nomination said. "She is always interested in learning new ways to help the children in the classroom. Anytime program staff visit Crest Ridge they find Wynona generally sitting in the hallway with a child she is helping with their numbers, letters, shapes and colors, or reading a story from a favorite book the child has selected. As with all foster grandparents, Wynona, in some instances, is the most stable adult influence a child may have."

Lt. Governor Kinder presented Corbin with an official declaration and a Senior Service Award lapel pin at a ceremony in the Capitol.

"Wynona Corbin sets an example for all Missourians with her kindness and willingness to serve kindergarten students at Crest Ridge Elementary," Kinder said. "Her selfless service is an inspiration to all who know her."

Kinder this year received more than 150 nominations for the Senior Service Award, naming 34 winners representing the state's 34 Senatorial Districts and one at-large winner. Cobrin won in District 21.